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In the Matter of)

Amendment of Part 90 of the)
Commission's Rules to Facilitate)
Future Development of SMR Systems)
in the 800 MHz Frequency Band)

PR Docket No. 93-144

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and

Implementation of Section 309(j))
of the Communications Act -)
Competitive Bidding)
800 MHz SMR)

PP Docket No. 93-253

To: The Commission

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Voice Link Communications¹ ("Voice Link") and Graybill Electronics, Inc.² ("Graybill"), hereby respectfully file this Ex Parte communication in response to the invitation of the Federal Communications Commission in the above-captioned proceeding.³

I. BACKGROUND

At a meeting held at the FCC on September 18, 1995, the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau presented to representatives of the SMR industry the Commission's current vision of a Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rule Making in the 800 MHz licensing proceeding. At that time, the Commission invited further

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industry Comment by September 29, 1995 on the current version of the proposed rules.

Voice Link and Graybill are the licensees and/or managers of 800 MHz SMR facilities in various parts of the country. Both Voice Link and Graybill have participated in earlier stages of this proceeding. Both Voice Link and Graybill have attempted to work diligently through the Commission's processes to reach a satisfactory outcome in this proceeding.

II. COMMENTS

Voice Link and Graybill are concerned that the Commission's proposed plan virtually ignores the many comments of independent SMR operators over the past year. In fact, the only changes to the Commission's original plan is to use BEAs instead of MTAs (which is an appropriate change) and to permit mandatory relocation (which the Commission initially declined to do).

It continues to be the opinion of Voice Link and Graybill that the Commission is without authority to auction this spectrum. Further, it is inconceivable that the Commission wants to relocate long time business operators to auction the spectrum to their **competitors**. However, in recognition of the Commission's representation that these issues are not open to discussion, Voice Link and Graybill continue to try to find means to reach agreement on the best relocation plan possible, while preserving their rights to continue their opposition to the Commission's core decisions on auctions and mandatory relocation.

In this light, Voice Link and Graybill have reviewed the draft Ex Parte Comments of PCIA. Voice Link and Graybill agree that PCIA's views of incumbent rights, cost recovery and opportunities for independent SMR operators must be included in any plan adopted by the Commission.

III. ~~CONCLUSION~~

For the foregoing reasons, we urge the Commission to modify its proposed rules for 800 MHz licensing consistent with the views expressed herein.

Respectfully submitted,

By: Maurice C. Lyons
Voice Link Communications

Date: October 2, 1995

III. CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, we urge the Commission to modify its proposed rules for 800 MHz licensing consistent with the views expressed herein.

Respectfully submitted,

By: Graybill Electronics Inc.
Charles Graybill Pres

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